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Dear Mr Mitchell:

When I first saw the announcement in the paper that the Mayor was asking the University to be represented on the proposed Transportation Commission, I at once thought of Dean Galbraith as the proper man to be nominated for the position. However, when the Mayor's letter reached me I found that he had asked me personally to act, and this request has been since repeated from so many influential quarters that I am inclined to think that I may be able to perform a service for the University by going on the Commission myself.

In talking it over with those who have had the matter in mind I find that what they desire is not primarily expert advice, but a body of disinterested citizens, representing various institutions, before whom evidence can be placed, and who may call upon experts. While, personally, I should have at once

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desired to ask Dean Galbraith to act, I am in the difficult position of being almost constrained by pressure, from sources that I had no idea would have turned to me, to represent the University myself, much as I hesitate to undertake the responsibility.

In regard to the other matter of your letter, I shall be glad to see you at any time, if you will telephone my office, though I expect to be out of the city from Friday afternoon till Monday evening.

With the Season's greetings, I am

Yours sincerely,

President.

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June 12th, 1914

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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Dean Fernow has asked for the fitting out of the stable behind the Forestry Building so as to afford a class-room and laboratory accommodation for an increasing number of students in Forestry and Botany. This was referred to your Committee yesterday and Dean Fernow is to correspond with you about the matter. Will you get into communication with him, and if you decide that something has to be done and that the old barn can be refitted as he desires you might bring it up at a meeting of the Board during the summer, and then entrust it to the Superintendent?

I leave the beginning of the week for Europe and am to be away for two months. With kind regards, and hoping that you will have a pleasant summer,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.